

September 17, 2013

The Honorable Jocelyn G. Boyd
Chief Clerk / Administrator
Public Service Commission of South Carolina
101 Executive Center Drive, Suite 100
Columbia, SC 29210

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RE: Request for Public Hearing
Docket No. 2013-201-WS –Utilities Services of South Carolina, Inc.

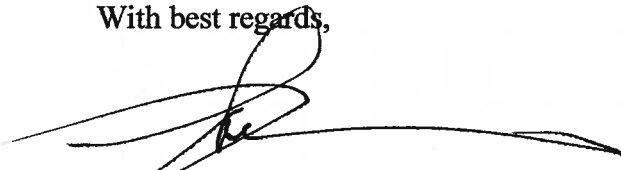
Dear Ms. Boyd:

On behalf of my constituents in the Washington Height Subdivision located in Richland County who are served by Utilities Services of South Carolina, Inc. (also known as USSC), I request that a local public hearing be held in Richland County in connection with the rate case currently pending before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina.

I understand that USSC has applied for an increase of 46% in water rates and an increase of 57% in sewer rates. The impact of USSC's proposed rates on the citizens of Richland County is of concern to these customers and to me. This request for a local public hearing is made so the citizens of Richland County served by this utility are provided the opportunity at a time and place convenient with their work schedules where they may offer testimony and comments concerning USSC's proposed rate increase. In connection with the scheduling of a local public hearing, it is also my understanding that USSC will be required to notify all of their customers of this public hearing at least thirty days prior to the hearing.

Thank you for your assistance in scheduling a local public hearing in Richland County so that the citizens served by this utility are provided an opportunity to be heard on this case.

With best regards,



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District No. 77

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